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TO-MORROW ONLY: "THE SOUND BARRIER"

Russia's Attitude Toward Disarmament 'SHOUT FOR PEACE AND ARM TO THE TEETH'



Mr. Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, and Mr. Jaisindas Dasgupta, the Governor of Assam, at the Dibrugarh Post and Telegraph Office, which was then crumbling and almost on the point of falling into the Brahmaputra. Mr. Nehru was on his tour of the flooded areas of North and East India. —Express Photo.

U.S. Should Offer A-Plants To Asia

New York, Sept. 21.

Senator Estes Kefauver returned from Europe today with the proposal that the United States offer dramatic proof of its peaceful intentions by setting up a series of atomic power plants "in Asia and some of the backward areas of the world."

Mr. Kefauver arrived aboard the American liner Constitution with his wife, Nancy, after a visit to her father, Sir Stephen Piggott, in Scotland, and attendance at the Inter-Parliamentary Conference at Vienna.

Mr. Kefauver asked also for a Voice of America "free and unfettered by political and destructive influences" to better spread the message of freedom abroad.

He said most peoples tempted by Communism "don't know whether Karl Marx is an apartment house in Vienna or an American comedian."

"They're simply hungry and discontented," he added. "It is imperative that we restore the confidence of the free world in the United States." Mr. Kefauver said, "We need a dramatic manifestation of our peaceful motives... it would be a great step in the right direction if we were to announce immediately to the world that, insofar as it is consistent with our national security—we are going to build a series of atomic plants for peaceful purposes and the development of cheap atomic power in Asia and some of the backward parts of the world. This would... confuse and confound the Communists. It would win us the renewed confidence and friendship of millions in Europe and Asia."

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W. GERMAN ON SPY CHARGE

Düsseldorf, Sept. 21.

A member of the directing committee of the West German Communist Party, George Gumpert, was arrested today at Remscheid in the Ruhr, on a charge of plotting against the security of the state. —France-Press.

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TO-MORROW ONLY: "THE SOUND BARRIER"

Washington, Sept. 21.
Russia's attitude toward international disarmament is "shout for peace" and "arm to the teeth," the United States representative to a United Nations Disarmament Sub-Committee said today.

Putting it another way, Mr. Morehead Patterson, US deputy representative to the Sub-Committee of the Disarmament Commission which met in London last spring, told Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, US representative to the United Nations:

"The Soviet Union was willing to disarm everyone except the Soviet Union." The five-nation Sub-Committee with representatives from the United States, the United Kingdom, France, Canada and the Soviet Union held 19 secret meetings in London during May and June. The records of 17 meetings now have been made public. No records were kept of the other two meetings.

Patterson gave Lodge this summary of Soviet proposals: **NO SAFEGUARDS**

"Make a pledge without safeguards. Make promises without providing methods for observance of those promises. Say that you want international control, but evade any discussion of the practical methods of securing those controls. Propose plans that will disarm the West without disarming the Soviet bloc. Shout for peace, and at the same time arm to the teeth so that ultimately the military superiority of the Soviet bloc will be so overwhelming that it can sweep away everything in its path."

Patterson told Lodge that the only thing agreed on between the Western nations and the Soviet Union was that further attempts should be made to reach "an acceptable solution." The United Nations General Assembly's Disarmament resolution said that "an acceptable solution" would be one agreed on by all five Sub-Committee member nations. Patterson mentioned the unity of the four Western powers, but added, "Obviously, the Sub-

Christmas Eve London's Black Traffic Day

London, Sept. 21.

The blackest day on the London roads last year was Christmas Eve when 237 people were killed or injured, police headquarters reported today.

Altogether 42,203 casualties of all types occurred in the area during the year, including 587 people killed, an increase of 2,558 over 1952.

Serious accidents, 14.6 per cent of the total, were the highest on record. About 70 per cent of pedestrians were injured when crossing the road.

The worst day of the week on average was Saturday and the worst month last year was May — just before the Coronation.

For the fifth year running, the greatest proportionate increase in casualties was among motorists. —China Mail Special.

Torquay, Sept. 21.

A bronze plaque was unveiled here today close to the site where William Froude, naval architect, carried out his revolutionary experiments in the 19th century to reduce rolling in ships and made sea voyages more pleasant.

He did this principally by inventing bilge-keels. —China Mail Special.

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DON'T SEND BRAINS, BUT SEND BEAUTY TO MOSCOW

By Anne Sharpley

I WONDER what the Russian picture of an Englishwoman is? Do they think of her (as we like to think of her) as tall, fair, slim and rather reserved, with a flawless complexion and elegant features? Or do they base their picture on the Englishwomen we send to Moscow to "represent" us in these "frequent" and well-meaning missions and delegations? The Russians could certainly be excused for having a grim impression of our women as we have of theirs.

Ask the average Englishman his idea of a Russian woman (to him) rather terrifying, with scraped-back hair, plump Slav face, infinite boiler-making potential—and the sex appeal of Stonehenge.

This impression he has gained from the wives of Russian diplomats and the rather fierce-looking women delegates they send us through the Iron Curtain.

But are we any wiser? We all know the diplomatic uses of a pretty face—yet we continually send ladies with brains in abundance but beauty, I'm afraid, in obedience.

Why do the Brains always have to win in the represent-us-in-Russia stakes?

Take three of the most publicised women who recently visited Russia, Dr Edith Summerskill, Mrs Mary Adams and Professor Kathleen Lonsdale.

To Cause A Stir

Dr Edith has all my admiration. She is a fighter, she's sincere and she is astonishingly capable.

Mrs Mary Adams as assistant TV controller has risen to a high position through brains and work and has made a real contribution to a new form of entertainment.

Professor Kathleen Lonsdale, Professor of Chemistry at University College, London, and one of the first two women Fellows in the Royal Society's history, is a person of considerable achievement and such strong principle that she went to prison for a month to uphold her pacifist ideals.

Wonderful women with wonderful minds but if it came to

weighing their beauty against their brains the scales would come down soundly on the side of brains. And they would be the first to admit it.

It is no good telling me that Malenkov picked Dr Edith a bouquet. Politeness should not be confused with gallantry.

British beauty has still to cause a stir among the commissars or a crisis at the Kremlin.

So let's send someone aristocratic, pretty and gracious to show that decorativeness is not simply "bourgeois decadence" but something to be enjoyed.

Let us show them there are other hats than Dr Edith's.

Why not Mrs Gerald Legge to show them something about millinery?

With a heart-shaped, heart-break prettiness that picture hats were invented for—let her fill a couple of hat boxes and do for the Kremlin what she does every year for Ascot.

Breathtaking

She can't make a boiler. I wouldn't even like to ask her to boil an egg but I haven't met a man yet who didn't think her entrancing.

Or for a clear-cut, look-you-into-the-eye classic beauty—let's send Lady Norwich.

Daughter-in-law to possibly the most famous classic beauty of them all, Lady Diana Cooper, Lady Norwich is an artist who paints so earnestly that this year she suffered from muscular strain from too much painting.

One smile at Malenkov from this radiant creature should earn her a handpicked bouquet, too.

And if Malenkov is as interested in fashions as his little sisters of the steppes as he says he is, who better than Lady Dalkith to show him lovely clothes?

As Jane McNeill she made a breathtaking model girl.

As Lady Dalkith she is one of the most beautifully and enterprisingly dressed of our young society leaders.

She could give a few pointers to the Politburo.

All this is a fantastic notion, you say? Surely no more fantastic than having the Russians believe that English womanhood consists of 25 million Dr Edith Summerskills.



GILES in the heart of Scotland

"Guess I ain't exactly a native, bud, but grandpaw back in Texas was a buck sergeant under General Rabble Burns right here in Perthshire."

London Express Service



LADY NORWICH

The scene moves to the West End on the second day of an Assessment of the names of tomorrow

THE STAYERS win in Café Society



BILLY WALLACE

Café Society bestows but a phantom fame. One biggest-ever party, one witty remark, one startling outfit or one outrageous incident—and overnight a star is born.

But in Café Society, as in all other spheres, the star that is made overnight is seldom the star that stays highest in the sky for the longest time.

So, as nominees for future fame in this little world, I select three names. Names which are certainly there today. And I am equally certain will be there tomorrow.

The first name has been a much-mentioned one for only the past six months or so. But I prophesy that the name Judy Montagu will be with us for a long time yet.

Anyone who can begin a career as a Bright Young Thing

easy to know, easy to get along with.

What is harder to fathom is the reason Judy Montagu should suddenly change circles. Until this year she had been most happy playing the rich, intellectual hostess, famed for the dinner-parties she gave at

holidaying with Princess Margaret's friend Colin Tennant in Venice. Princess Margaret's friend Judy has just come back from holidays in the South of France with another mutual friend, Billy Wallace.

Currently camping somewhere or other on Salisbury Plain is that best-known of young men about town, Mr Billy Wallace.

Now I know I don't have to explain who Billy Wallace is. But what he is, and what he will remain for some time yet, is the country's No. 1 Eligible Bachelor.

Billy—though, as he says himself, he simply hates publicity—can always be depended on to be doing something or other which keeps him in the news. Yet he is far from being a playboy.

His is an independent spirit which sets him apart from the other gay blades of the town. It led him to give up the job in the bank his family had found for him, and get another one for himself just by walking into the office of a civil aviation company asking to see the personnel manager.

At 27, young Mr Wallace is doing very well in business. (He now runs a department.) Young Mr Wallace does well at most things he attempts. And as he seldom attempts anything outside of his chosen orbit, well-decorated Wallace will still be in there pitching when the next chapter on the doings of café society is written.

What's in a name? Quite a lot, really. Possibly, that is why Lady Diana Cooper insisted on retaining the name by which she was widely known, and quickly shrugged off a title which was her due—the Viscountess Norwich.

At the same time the Young Lady Norwich has determinedly followed in her mother's—well, in-law's footsteps. Like Lady Diana, Anne Norwich has achieved her high standing as the society beauty with the artistic temperament (she paints, pots and sculpts).

She also had one thing to say in "The Frog," whereas Lady D didn't have a single word to say in "The Miracle."

But the Duff Coopers also have a tradition of diplomacy. The present Lord Norwich, John Julius, is in the Foreign Office. His permanently gracious wife works hard at "being good with people."

I once saw her at a film premiere, earnestly directing herself to her neighbour, a man in the wholesale dress business. "Really," Lady Norwich was saying, "How incredible. I find it so interesting to meet new people."

It seemed to me that in the nature of a goddess, she was the time to come when she will have "laid down the law" on the subject of the new people.

EVE PERRICK picks a trio

at the age of 30 is capable of holding on to any position she cares to pick.

At the moment her role is an important one. She is acknowledged to be Princess Margaret's best friend. Not difficult to understand why the Princess should get along so well with the dark-haired granddaughter of the first Lord Swaythling. Miss Montagu is

Breccles Hall, her Norfolk home, for other and older intellectuals like Oxford don Isaiah Berlin and Cecil Beaton.

Came that Charity Play ("The Frog") and Miss Montagu's reputation for brains and efficiency found a new and far wider fame.

She never looked back. Princess Margaret's best friend Judy is at present

like her. And as she has not got wherever she is today by relying on anything she could do later on—good looks, a flair for dress or a talent for doing unconventional things for instance—she is likely to stay put.

As one of her set summed up: "She is easy to be with, makes no demands, and is so very different from that lot of pretty little girls."

In the Café Society stakes Mr Wallace, take my word for it, is a stayer. He has the essentials that make up a long-term success. He has charm. He has money. In everything—polo, dancing, table-talking, commerce—he is a great taker of pains. He is also a great taker-out of pretty girls (latest lady, Joanna Smith Bingham), and I shouldn't be surprised to discover he once took the Dale

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

Mme du Pont's Journal

In the French version of Mrs Dale's Diary last week Dr and Madame du Pont were engaged in a bitter argument because Dr du Pont said he was too busy attending his patients "wiz stomach odcours and la grippie" to straighten out a family crisis in which Marie, his daughter, was losing 20,000 francs a week "wiz er 'at shop" and his son Pierre was "mad wiz love for a married lady contortionist."

The doctor's anger was further inflamed when his mother-in-law, Madame le Brun, expected him to rescue her tiresome cat, le Capitaine, from a tree.

At the beginning of this broadcast, Dr du Pont is in his surgery for consultations. His first patient is a dark-eyed woman of about 35 with a wide, red smile, and dressed to emphasize her figure.

Dr du Pont: Good morning, madame. Your name, please?

Madame Frou-Frou: Madame Lulu Frou-Frou.

Dr du Pont: Pray be seated.

Madame Frou-Frou: I've got so many troubles, I've got pain in my back, my stomach, I've got a cold, I've got a cough, I've got a headache, I've got a toothache, I've got a sore throat, I've got a runny nose, I've got a watery eye, I've got a dry eye, I've got a red eye, I've got a green eye, I've got a blue eye, I've got a yellow eye, I've got a black eye, I've got a white eye, I've got a pink eye, I've got a purple eye, I've got a brown eye, I've got a grey eye, I've got a silver eye, I've got a gold eye, I've got a diamond eye, I've got a ruby eye, I've got a sapphire eye, I've got a garnet eye, I've got a topaz eye, I've got a crystal eye, I've got a glass eye, I've got a plastic eye, I've got a metal eye, I've got a wooden eye, I've got a stone eye, I've got a bone eye, I've got a flesh eye, I've got a blood eye, I've got a nerve eye, I've got a muscle eye, I've got a tendon eye, I've got a ligament eye, I've got a cartilage eye, I've got a skin eye, I've got a hair eye, I've got a 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NORMAN AND SEEMIN TO MEET IN FINAL OF OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

By "TOUCHER"

George C. Norman of Kowloon Bowling Green Club and A. H. Seemin of Indian Recreation Club qualified to meet each other in the final of the Colony 1954 Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship by virtue of their semi-final victories yesterday at the Hongkong Football Club over A. R. A. Rahman and Peter Hughes.

Despite an intermittent drizzle and frequent gusts of strong wind, all the four bowlers gave a grand display of top-notch bowls.

Of the two matches the more closely contested was that between George Norman and A. R. A. Rahman, which went to 24 heads before it was won by Norman by 22-10.

Trailing behind all the way from the 7th to the 21st head,

by which time the score stood at 13-18, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club bowler and last year's runner-up spectacularly rose from the shades of defeat with a two, a four and a three to snatch a 22-10 win.

WELL DESERVED

For Norman it was a triumph deserving of the consistent bowls served up by him, in which luck played almost no part at all. Except for a couple of heads or so in which carelessness marred his play and another head where he made an uncalculated drive, the winner gave his usual excellent performance of drawing to the jack.

An outstanding contributing factor to his success yesterday was his greater ability of keeping his weight to the heavier green when play was resumed on the 10th head with the score at 12-15.

His fighting qualities and steadiness stood him in good stead not only in the final stages but also in the middle of the game when many a player would have crumpled up against the brilliant bowling of Rahman.

One vast improvement in Norman's play yesterday was the greater attention paid by him in consolidating his shots at the back—a lesson learnt undoubtedly from his last year's final.

Rahman showed the makings of a great player, but still lacked that necessary consistency and steadiness.

He cranked up badly on the 22nd head. With the score standing at 18-13, he threw a medium-long head after having been successful throughout on short to medium heads. Norman outdrew him with two beatable shots about a foot away from the jack which was still open to a dead draw.

Norman made full use of the jack on the next head when he threw an almost full head. With this first wood he drew the shot about a foot behind the jack and added three more around the jack, each about a similar distance away.

Rahman's nerves failed him in this head. He was narrow with the first wood which went jack-high on the negative side out of the count and was short with this second and third woods.

He was a little unlucky with this last wood, when it went through the cluster without resting any of them.

AT HIS BEST

The last head saw Norman at his best. With his first wood he drew a touchier, that stayed alongside the jack. Rahman drew the second shot about a foot behind the jack from the forehead.

Norman came with a perfectly delivered wood to rest the backwood for second shot, and Rahman made another major error when he changed his hand to the swinging backhand which neither of

them had been able to master throughout the game. He was narrow with all his three remaining woods, as Norman added the third shot to win the match by 22-10.

In the other semi-final match, A. H. Seemin's deadly drawing to the jack paved the way to his comfortable 24-13 win over Peter Hughes.

He started rather shakily with Hughes having the better of him in the first seven heads. An unorthodox driving shot by him in the seventh head with his opponent lying on gave Hughes an additional two shots to lead by 7-5.

This, however, only spurred the HKC bowler to more careful bowling during the next four heads which saw him scoring eight shots to lead by 13-7.

With that lead, Seemin gradually built up his stride with brilliant bowling against which Hughes, despite a plucky display, could do little.

Time and again, the winner would come in with hugging touches when his opponent was lying two or three.

Hughes made a strong stand at 10-15, but Seemin continued to forge ahead to 18-10 on the next two heads and at 20-13 on the last head, completed the match with a four.

FANLING GOLF

Draw For Victory Cup Competition

The following is the draw for the First Round of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's 1954 Victory Cup competition to be played at Fanling:

Jardines v Pan American; Gilman v Talbot; HK Electric v H. & S. Bank; RAMC v 1st Kings; J. D. Hutchison v Kowloon Dock; 25th Fd Regt RA v Mercantile Bank; Bank Line v Gibb; Livingston; RAF (Little Sal) v 1st Fd Regt RA; Public Works Dept v Royal Engineers; 14th Fd Regt RA v Medical Dept; Marine Dept v Harry Wicking; B.A.T. v Inland Revenue; I.O.I. v Lowe, Bingham; Cable & Wireless v Dairy Farm; R.A.F. (HQ) v Police Dept; China Light v Labour Dept.

The first round is to be completed by October 24, 1954, the second round by November 14, the third round by November 28, and the final by December 19 and the final is to be played on or before January 2, 1955.

This is a Foursomes knock-out competition, played under handicap over the Old Course with a maximum handicap allowance of 18. Stroke play handicaps, ruling on date of play, are to be taken, the correct number of strokes received or given being three-eighths of the difference between the aggregate handicaps on either side. Players must be declared before the first match is played; no substitution of players is permitted and the first named team in each case is responsible for arranging the match.

SHEK O GOLF

The draw and morning starting times for the Club Championship, to be played at Shek O on Sunday, are as follows:

9 a.m. F.D. Hunter and M.V. Fleming; 9.30 a.m. P.V. Huyshe and J. Robinson; 10 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 10.15 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 10.30 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 10.45 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 11 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 11.15 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 11.30 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 11.45 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 12 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 12.15 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 12.30 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 12.45 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 1 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 1.15 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 1.30 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 1.45 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 2 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 2.15 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 2.30 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 2.45 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 3 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 3.15 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 3.30 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. Bolton; 3.45 a.m. J. Robinson and R.D. 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Home Confinements Have Advantages

London, Sept. 21. British medical authorities believe home confinements have distinct clinical and psychological advantages over hospital treatment, according to Mr. Iain Macleod, Health Minister.

"Many women seem wisely to prefer it," he told 850 delegates attending the opening in London of the world's first International Congress of Midwives. They include 300 women representatives from 48 Commonwealth and foreign countries. The Minister pointed to the fact that whereas in the United States and Scandinavia the great majority of births took place in hospital, Holland, like Britain, had a very high proportion of home confinements.

"With us more than a third of all confinements take place at home," he added. "This is not simply a method forced upon us by a shortage of hospital maternity beds. It is part of the traditional pattern of our maternity services that the normal uncomplicated case, where the home circumstances are suitable, should be dealt with in the home."

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P.I.-American Trade Agreement

Washington, Sept. 21. The Philippines will today present its seven specific proposals for revision of the 1948 American trade agreement, Senator Gil Puyat said last night. The Philippines and United States delegations are scheduled today to convene their second business meeting on revision of the 1948 agreement between the two countries. The Philippines' delegation and some American businessmen with Philippine interests were entertained yesterday evening at Blair House, United Press.

W. German Workers Will Become Company Directors

Bonn, Sept. 21. The West German Parliament will debate a Government Bill this autumn to give workers some responsibility in running newly-formed holding companies.

Each of these companies is a roof organisation for several firms in the iron and steel producing industries as well as for several coal or ore mines.

There are six holding companies now—Hoesch, Krupp, Huetten, Mannesmann, Nordwestdeutsche Huetten and Bergwerksgesellschaft, and Rheinisch A.G.

More are expected to be founded soon. The six together some of the Ruhr firms which, through Allied decontrolisation policy, had been separated from the great Nazi combines and established as self-supporting companies.

Industry has been eager to form the holding companies ever since the Allies handed over control of decontrolisation to the West Germans last year. The Government and the Trade Union Federation, representing 6,000,000 workers, had no objections. Both argued that holding companies were justifiable in the interests of the German economy.

THE SEATS. The new Bill, now being drafted by the Labour Ministry, will award seats on each company's Board of Directors to representatives of the workers.

The Ministry has not yet decided on the proportion of seats. The trade unions insist on 50 per cent, as is practised in the coal and steel producing industries, but the employers and many members of the Government coalition parties want to concede only 33 per cent as practised in all industry other than coal and steel producing.

The employers argue that holding companies cover not only coal and steel producing companies but also plants where the workers are entitled to only a one third representation on the Boards.

One court, which had to rule on a dispute over this question between the management of the Mannesmann holding company and the trade unions, decided that the 50 per cent clause could not be applied.

ONE THIRD. Under present law, the court held, the holding companies had to be treated as industrial plants outside the provisions of this clause—as industries whose boards of directors reserve only one third of their seats for the workers and the rest go to the shareholders.

The trade unions have appealed against this verdict. They also announced that they would fight "with all possible means" for the introduction of the 50 per cent clause in the holding companies.

They said that they would not easily acquiesce if Parliament accepted the employers' view. Political observers here said this morning that the unions are prepared to call a general strike to press their demands for a successful conclusion.

One of the coalition parties, the Free Democrats, announced that it intended to introduce a Bill which would virtually prohibit strikes. This would be based on the realisation that under present social and economic conditions in West Germany, a strike can hardly be justified.

The Social Democratic opposition replied that it was a means of carrying out disputes between social partners are a recognised legal means in all democratic states. We shall strongly oppose any attempt to restrict the right to strike. The Free Democrats' anti-strike plan shows how far they have already got away from the ideas of democracy.—China Mail Special.

Lawyers May Decline To Aid Poor Prisoners

Folkestone, Sept. 21. A British Commonwealth and Empire conference will be held in London from July 20 to 27 next year, it was announced at the annual conference of the Law Society here today.

The President, Mr. Frederick Jessop, said the suggestion had found "universal approval" among Dominion Law Societies and Bar Associations. An Executive Committee to make arrangements for the conference included two representatives from Australia, Canada, Ceylon, New Zealand and South Africa, as well as four from the United Kingdom.

In his address, Mr. Jessop warned that lawyers might decline to volunteer to defend poor prisoners unless the scale of fees were increased.

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"The legal defence of poor prisoners is a necessary social service and like all other social services should be paid for out of the coffers of the state and not out of the pockets of one section of the public only—namely the legal profession," he added.

He also suggested that solicitors should work in partnership rather than alone in view of the increasing volume and complexity of the law.

Fifty years ago, the yearly statistics were contained in a modest volume of 103 pages; in 1948 they occupied two substantial volumes and over 2,000 pages.—Mr. Jessop said.—Reuter.

S. Australia To Have First A-Power Station

Adelaide, Sept. 21. South Australia is to produce the first Australian state to produce electric power from atomic energy, the South Australian Premier, Mr. Thomas Playford, told his Parliament today. He said he had been named as the "Australia's Atomic Minister" by the British Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, in a letter of congratulation on his appointment as Premier.

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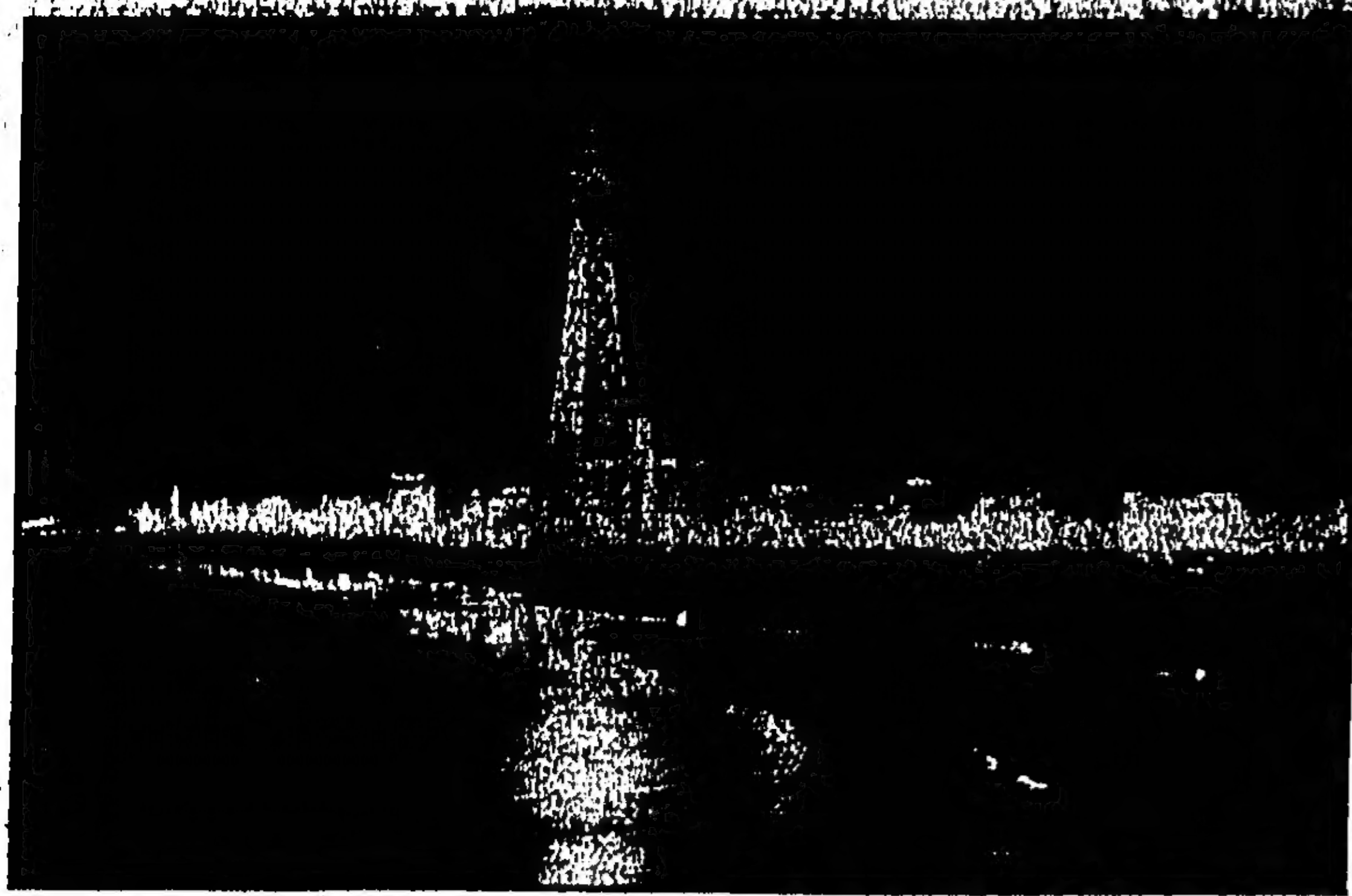
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Blackpool's famous Tower probing the night sky as a pillar of light during a try-out of the town's illuminations. This view of the Tower and promenade was taken from the South Pier.—Reuterphoto.

Persian Treasury Will Be Hard Pressed For Some Time Yet

Teheran, Sept. 21.

Although Iran's new oil agreement with the West will make her one of the richest oil states in the Middle East, the Government is at present hard pressed to pay Government salaries.

It will be some time before revenues from the sale of Iranian oil to world markets reach the treasury here. A member of the Western oil consortium—a group of eight major oil companies—said that he thought it unlikely that Iran would start benefitting from revenues before February or March next year.

When revenues do start to flow, they will increase to impressive sums within a few years.

At the end of the first three years' operation, Iran is due to get a minimum of £150,000,000 apart from related sources of income, such as customs duties on goods needed by foreign oil workers.

In the meantime, after three years of oil-less economy, the Iranian Government has to face a rapidly emptying Treasury while at the same time combating a high level of inflation combined with popular discontent at high prices.

The crucial month will be October. Some time during October, the remnants of previous dollar aid are due to be exhausted. Then, without some financial assistance from outside, Iran would go bankrupt.

Iran proposes to bridge the next few penniless months, as she has done in the past, by applying for direct dollar aid from the United States.

Already President Eisenhower has granted the present Government, under General Fazlollah Zahedi, the sum of \$50,000,000 (over £20,000,000) since Dr Mohammed Mossadegh's overthrow in September 1953.

To keep the country on an even keel until oil revenues take effect, a further \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000 is required at the present rate of expenditure.

United States dollar aid to Iran has averaged \$5,000,000 (about £1,700,000) a month over the past year. This sum is sufficient to pay Government salaries and help maintain the Army and public services such as health, education and transport.

The United States, which has sunk so much money into the economy of Iran to strengthen it against Communist penetration and to pay the way to an oil agreement with the West, is not thought likely to abandon its protégé on the last lap.

There is, therefore, considerable optimism in Government circles here about the likelihood of further direct grants of dollar aid from Washington in the near future. These sums are given without condition and with no thought of repayment.

Iran's only serious doubt is how much she will receive. Government leaders have this month spoken frequently of \$50,000,000 or \$70,000,000.

United States officials here, while unable to forecast the extent of the President's bounty, put the figure of probable aid to Iran at about half this sum.

They think a grant of \$20,000,000 or \$30,000,000 is more probable than a higher sum. They also say that any such loan may be made over a period in a series of smaller payments.

A sum of between \$20,000,000 and \$30,000,000 would keep Iran solvent until mid-January or mid-March next year, at the rate of \$5,000,000 a month.

But even with the help of a Presidential grant-in-aid, Iran will have a stiff uphill climb back to economic health.

When the Prime Minister, General Zahedi took over the Government last August following the overthrow of Dr Mossadegh, he asked for a report on the country's finances.

Officials of the Bank-e-Melli, the National Bank, told him that Dr Mossadegh's oil-less economy, as a result of the oil nationalisation dispute with Britain in 1951, had left the country bankrupt.

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The Government debt to the Bank and other creditors had risen under Dr Mossadegh from 5 billion rials to 17 billion rials. To go on paying civil servants and to pay the wages of thousands of thousands of idle oil workers in the southern oil fields, he had increased the State's overdraft by 12 billion rials.

Dr Mossadegh drew on every security. He also sold off sterling-backed foreign exchange and finally borrowed from the state insurance companies.

One American economic expert said: "He scraped the barrel and then licked the seams." By the time General Zahedi came to power, the rial had fallen from 30 to the pound to 240 to the pound, unemployment had increased and everyone was complaining about the high cost of living.

Recalling that General Zahedi wanted to co-operate with the West, President Eisenhower, in September 1953, began a series of grants which, over the 12 months, have totalled \$50,000,000 and which have contributed to the keeping of Iran stable—and in the Western camp.

But while this was sufficient to keep the economy from collapsing, it did little towards reducing inflation or creating employment.

By the time General Zahedi had met his monthly wage bills in the Ministries and public institutions, there was almost nothing left over to plough into development projects or economic revival schemes.

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It did, however, pay the oil workers and prevent trouble at Abadan which has been the target for Communist propaganda ever since the "Tudeh (Masses or Communists) party was formed during World War II.

It also kept the Army going and able to do its job of maintaining internal security.

When oil revenues start to come in, they will gradually change the entire economic situation.

But even with this aid, Iran will not be able to pay its debts.

a rapid return to her former position of relative prosperity.

Revenues for the first year will amount to little more than United States dollar aid. Whereas United States aid has totalled \$50,000,000 in the year, oil revenues are expected to be in the region of \$80,000,000 (about £27,000,000) during 1955—the first year.

The increase will not be sufficient to cure inflation and cut the cost of living.

Since Iranian public opinion feeds on the hope that, with the signature of an oil agreement, all economic troubles will cease, 1955 is therefore likely to prove a difficult year for the Government.

One further prospect of United States aid exists, which could tip the scales in the first year towards recognisable improvement.

This is a loan from the United States Export-Import Bank.

Iran is now working on the draft request for a loan of some \$20,000,000 (about £6,700,000) to help her start work on capital development projects, mainly irrigation and hydro-electric schemes.

Notable among these is the Karun dam, 20 miles west of Teheran. United States officials here have been favourably impressed by this project and are expected to support Iran's request to the Bank.

Provided that Iran gets this loan, to be repaid within a period of about 20 years, she is likely to be able to start in 1955 her long climb back to prosperity.—China Mail Special.

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World Future trading was hardly broad enough to develop a special feature. The foreign raw market was quiet, although dealers reported scattered inquiries on a firmer price basis.

Domestic futures moved irregularly with near monthly all-time seasonal lows.

Future closings:

Contract No. 1 (World)	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
Oct.	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
Nov.	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
Dec.	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
Jan.	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
Feb.	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
Mar.	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
Apr.	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
May	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
June	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
July	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
Aug.	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30
Sept.	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30	115.30

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MALAYAN TRADE

Improvement In Situation Last Quarter

Washington, Sept. 21.

The United States Commerce Department received a quarterly report indicating an improved business situation in Singapore and Malaya, due especially to a more favourable market outlook for tin and rubber.

Officials here were hopeful that the Singapore trend may point to better conditions in South-eastern Asia generally.

The United Press exclusively obtained a copy of the quarterly economic review (April-June) of Singapore and the Federation of Malaya, which has not yet been published here. It is based on consular reports and was prepared in August.

"At mid-year 1954," this review said, "improved business sentiment and more of a feeling of general satisfaction was discernible regarding Malaya's trade and economic position."

"Conditions are spotty, however, with some firms, especially textiles and certain distributors in Singapore still heavily overstocked."

An inter-play of political and economic factors during the second quarter caused both rubber and tin prices to rise during the second quarter with corresponding increases in Federation revenues. Tin metal exports continued high.

"Despite some anticipated improvement in the Federation's financial position, it was still evident that external United Kingdom aid would be needed," the review continued.

ENTREPOT TRADE

"In contrast Singapore's finance, bolstered by slowly expanding smaller industries and a robust entrepot trade was in sound shape."

Trade with the United States in the second quarter was encouraging, and the United States was Malaya's best customer. Exports to the United States in January-May were \$181,900,000 against \$123,500,000 in the same period of the previous year. The decrease was less than expected, as statistical effects of the improved rubber and tin situation were not apparent until the second quarter.

Malayan imports from the United States, including those from Hongkong, in May-June were \$185,300,000 compared to \$159,500,000 in the same period a year ago.

U. K. COMPETITION

The decline was attributed to tightening controls on dollar imports because more United Kingdom goods became available in competition with American products.

Malayan exports to Japan in January-May were \$187,800,000 compared to \$154,100,000 in the same period of previous year. Rubber dealers were hopeful that rubber exports to Japan would expand.

"The tin industry of Malaya manifested signs of more confidence in itself and in the future with several factors contributing to this trend, namely: The rising price in a steady and regular market, the volume of purchases from the United States, and the disappearance of threats of surplus metal, and the imminent ratification of the international tin agreement," said the quarterly report.

FAVOURABLE TREND

"There was a favourable trend in the various attitudes of the Malayan tin industry toward the United States, chiefly because of the United States Government's position of benevolent neutrality toward the international tin agreement," said the quarterly report.

"The Commerce Department report said that the second quarter was marked by a steady price rise in a more confident rubber market in Singapore."

"The factors behind the price trend were manifold," the report said. "The much publicised world surplus of natural rubber became more and more difficult to locate, reaching the point where it became nothing to worry about."

SHIPMENTS ABROAD

"Shipments abroad continued at a more healthy level. Increased United States factory demand inspired more confidence in both the future of the natural rubber industry and United States industrial strength."

"United States Government cuts in the synthetic rubber and revivification of the rubber price had a favourable psychological effect on the Singapore market."

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U.K. Electrical Goods Exports

London, Sept. 21.

Britain exported £15,869,456 worth of electrical machinery and equipment in July, an 11 per cent increase on the monthly average for the second quarter of the year.

Chief buyers of generating plant and electric motors were Russia and Thailand.—China Mail Special.

World Cotton Markets

New York, Sept. 21.

Cotton futures today maintained an overcast of steadiness as prices backed and filled narrowly in less active dealings.

Traders again described the market as "in balance" with enough domestic mill, exporter and other trade buying coming in to digest hedge selling and realising.

At the close the list ruled up 5 to off 3 points. Opening prices were off 1 to up 4 points. New Orleans closed up 7 to off 8 points.

Speculative interests marking this said they preferred to await first notice day for October on Friday and the Government crop report to follow on October 8.

Buyers said they were impressed by the market's action in face of the unusually large sales in the southern markets and attendant hedge selling in futures.

Trading volumes and opening interests in the Exchange today were:

Month	Volume	Open	Interest
Oct.	25,200	13,000	13,000
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